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30 Oct 58 1130 hours [redacted] meeting with [redacted]

Some debate in progress whether first box (test item) should go to operational outfit or returned to [redacted] to serve as model (assuming, of course, that tests are successful and item is purchased) 25X1A

[redacted] 25X1A says first 2 items will take three months to build after "go ahead." Thereafter, can produce 2 per month. [redacted] 25X1A

wants to start building 2 production items immediately at cost of \$5,000. If modifications are required, doubts that we would suffer any loss in excess of \$25,000 and this cost would be well worth the time saved.

[redacted] (manufacturer of tubes) may be a factor in causing delays since they are also working in two other areas (commercial accounts and AF contracts) [redacted] 25X1A priority may have

25X1A to be established to get job done for us. Mr. Bisell is interested in having [redacted] build the tubes or look into the possibility of [redacted] doing it. [redacted] 25X1A is to check. Previous experience

25X1A shows [redacted] very reluctant to get into production, but will gladly send technical people to supervise. [redacted] 25X1A should also be in a position to know RCA's capability before going to RCA direct.

1<sup>st</sup> Box Status - at Edwards for installation, ground tests, environment tests, design tests, flight tests.

Indian Springs tests scheduled for today and tomorrow.  
Probably be delayed. Flight tests delayed until late  
next week. Original specifications on box called for

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Now want to operate  
at [REDACTED] This will possibly (probably) cause an over-  
Can redesign box or "gook" it for tests. [REDACTED] wants  
to "gook" the box. This covering should be good until  
in release causes a whip.

Test Gas: - Need a 630A for ground checks and calibration. 25X1A  
of box. Have 1 but needs repair. [REDACTED] as I.

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25X1A [redacted] without success. [redacted] has 1, but to take it to Edwards would tie-up a lot of factory work. Must be a good set or it's completely useless. Only ground equipment needed is: a timing signal, radar tracking, and a 7 channel "play-back" tape machine. 25X1A [redacted]

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Spares:- Only spare parts anticipated by [REDACTED] are those items peculiar to this system. Other items are available from existing stock supplies. [REDACTED] (Edwards) should start immediately to make "parts list" of entire box.

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Training: [REDACTED] opinion that training should start immediately so that the supervisor can follow this program that will be in the field.

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